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valid.

1 12. (As filed) A system as in claim 11, further comprising a terminal 2 having a processor, wherein the terminal is configured to receive the identifier of the 3 form being audited and to electronically send the identifier to the host computer. 1 13. (As filed) A system as in claim 12, wherein the terminal is 2 configured to produce an audit screen having a region for inputting the identifier. 1 14. (As filed) A system as in claim 13, wherein the terminal is 2 configured to produce the audit screen based on information sent to the terminal from the 3 host computer. 15. 1 (As filed) A system as in claim 11, wherein the host computer is 2 configured to generate in error report if the identifier of the form being audited is not

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 2 have been amended. Claims 1-15 remain pending. Examination of the claims, as amended, is respectfully requested.

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

1	1. (Amended) A method for auditing forms, the method comprising:
2	issuing a request to provide a form identifier that is associated with a
3	form;
4	receiving the identifier at a host computer;
5	verifying with the host computer whether the identifier is a valid identifier
6	for the form being used[;
7	logging an error if the identifier is not valid].
1	2. (Amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein the request is issued
2	from a terminal having a processor that is in communication with the host computer, and
3	further comprising logging an error if the identifier is not valid.
1	3. (As filed) A method as in claim 2, wherein the request is sent from
2	the host computer to the terminal.
1	4. (As filed) A method as in claim 1, where the request is issued
2	from a customer service operator over a phone.
1	5. (As filed) A method as in claim 2, wherein the identifier is
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2	received at the host computer from the terminal.
1	6. (As filed) A method as in claim 1, wherein the host computer
2	includes an associated database, and wherein the identifier is verified by comparing the
3	identifier with a list of valid identifiers in the database.
1	7. (As filed) A method as in claim 1, further comprising determining
2	whether an appropriate form has already been ordered.

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1	8. (As filed) A method as in claim 7, wherein if an appropriate form
2	has not been ordered, placing an order for an appropriate form.
1	9. (As filed) A method as in claim 8, further comprising evaluating
2	whether the ordered form is received by a user.
1	10. (As filed) A method as in claim 9, further comprising transmitting
2	an identifier for a replacement form to the host computer.
1	11. (As filed) A forms auditing system, comprising:
2	a host computer; and
3	a database associated with the host computer, the database having a record
4	of a set of forms and a valid identifier for each of the forms;
5	wherein the host computer is configured to receive an identifier in
6	response to a request to audit a form, and to verify whether the identifier is a valid
7	identifier for the audited form by comparing the identifier with the identifiers in the
8	database, and to produce a record in the database of the comparison.
1	12. (As filed) A system as in claim 11, further comprising a terminal
2	having a processor, wherein the terminal is configured to receive the identifier of the
3	form being audited and to electronically send the identifier to the host computer.
1	13. (As filed) A system as in claim 12, wherein the terminal is
2	configured to produce an audit screen having a region for inputting the identifier.
1	14. (As filed) A system as in claim 13, wherein the terminal is
2	configured to produce the audit screen based on information sent to the terminal from the
3	host computer.

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- 1 15. (As filed) A system as in claim 11, wherein the host computer is
- 2 configured to generate in error report if the identifier of the form being audited is not
- 3 valid.